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CHAPTER 198: PROMISE & DEPARTURE

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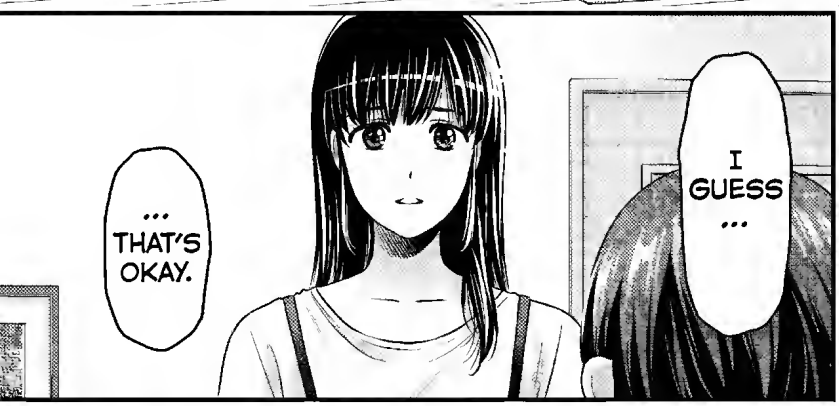

ALL I WANT...
...IS FOR YOU TWO TO BE HAPPY.
MM...
SOR-RY.
THAT WAS KINDA BITCHY OF ME.
...
NO, THANKS. THE TUB'S TOO SMALL FOR TWO PEOPLE.
C'MOOON, IT'LL BE FUN! JUST LIKE WHEN WE WERE KIDS!
DON'T SWEAT IT! IT'S BETTER TO GET THINGS OFF YOUR CHEST THAN BOTTLE EVERYTHING UP.
I KNOW! WHY DON'T WE TAKE A BATH TOGETHER? YOU CAN TELL ME EVERYTHING THAT'S ON YOUR MIND.
WELL, ALL RIGHT, FINE.
THAT'S MORE LIKE IT!

CLUNK
LOOK WHO IT IS!
I SWEAR, YOU PRACTICALLY LIVE IN THE LIBRARY THESE DAYS.
MAO-SEMPAI!
I CAN'T WAIT! HOW'S IT COMING ALONG?
NOT TOO BAD, BUT IT'S TAKING ME FOREVER TO DO RESEARCH.
GOT-CHA.
HOME-WORK?
MMM!
NAH, JUST WORKING ON MY WRITING.
OH, YEAH. YOU'RE PUTTING OUT A BOOK, HUH?

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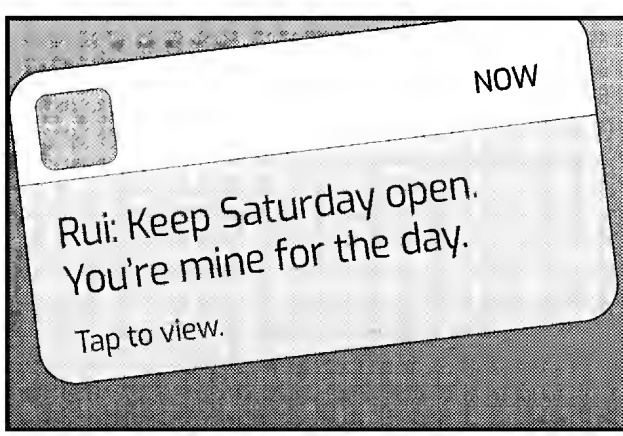
UH-OH.
I HAVEN'T BEEN GETTING MUCH SLEEP LATELY.
THEN THERE'S HOMEWORK, TESTS, AND THE CLUB TO WORRY ABOUT.

YUP...
LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GOT EVEN MORE ON YOUR PLATE NOW.


NOW
Rui: Keep Saturday open. You're mine for the day.
Tap to view.

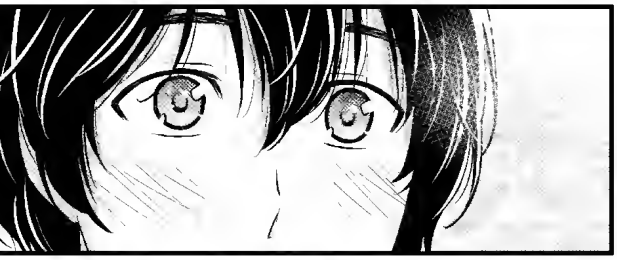
WHAT TO DO...

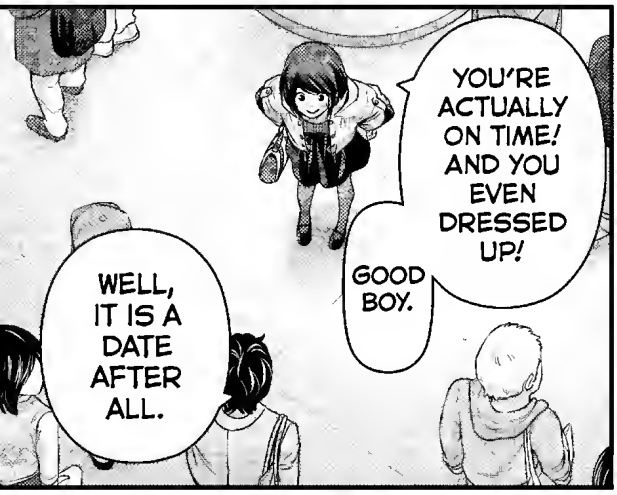
HMM

DON'T WORRY THE CLUB TOO MUCH. I'M SURE WE'LL BE FINE WITH HANA-SEMPAI ON BOARD.
DON'T PUSH YOURSELF JUST 'CAUSE YOUR TUMMY'S HEALED.
I'LL TRY. THANKS.

NATSUO!

SATUR-
DAY




YOU'RE ACTUALLY ON TIME! AND YOU EVEN DRESSED UP!
GOOD BOY.
WELL, IT IS A DATE AFTER ALL.

SO, WHERE TO? IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING PLANNED, THEN...
I SAID YOU'RE MINE FOR THE DAY, DIDN'T I? JUST FOLLOW ME.

SIGN: KARAOKE CASTLE

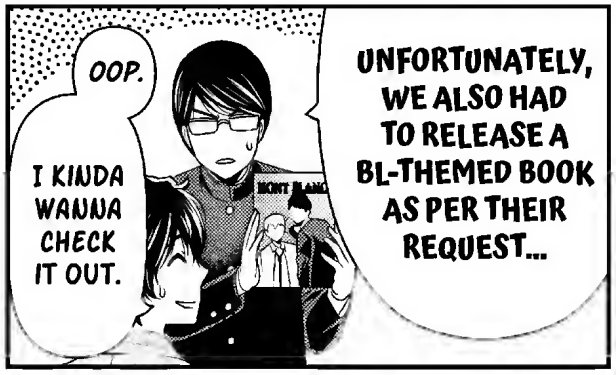
...BUT WOULD IT KILL YOU TO SING WHEN WE'RE ALONE?!
WELL, I'M A BAD SINGER. AND IT'S EMBARRASSING WHEN IT'S JUST THE TWO OF US.
WHO CARES IF YOU'RE GOOD OR NOT? YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY, IT'S ALL ABOUT "SINGING FROM THE HEART."
BUHHH
初恋
"First Love"
I DUNNO HOW WELL I'LL DO, BUT HERE GOES...
HUH?
ISN'T THIS SONG PRETTY NEW? I THOUGHT YOU ONLY LISTENED TO OLDIES.
YEAH.
I'VE BEEN GETTING INTO NEWER MUSIC LATELY.
I USED TO THINK MODERN MUSIC WAS JUST A BUNCH OF SHALLOW, SUPERFICIAL GARBAGE, ESPECIALLY LOVE SONGS.
BUT EVER SINCE WE STARTED GOING OUT,
I'VE KINDA FOUND A NEW APPRECIATION FOR THESE KINDS OF LYRICS.

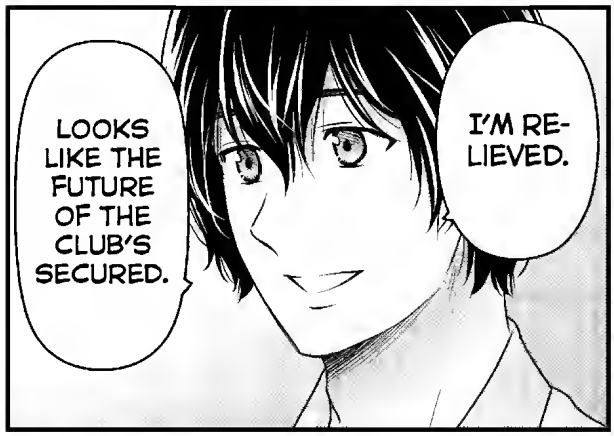
HEY...
WHY DON'T WE SNEAK OUT TOGETHER?
SURE.
SIGN: KARAOKE CASTLE
カラオケ城
カラオケ城
SPEAKING OF MEMORABLE SPOTS.
THERE'S SOMEWHERE I WANNA TAKE YOU.
DON'T TEASE ME!
NOT TOO SHABBY. GOT ME RIGHT IN THE TICKER.

SIGN: AKAMORI HIGH SCHOOL CULTURAL FESTIVAL
赤森高校
文化祭
OH!
TODAY'S AKAMORI HIGH'S CULTURAL FESTIVAL ?!
I COULD'VE SWORN THAT'S WHY YOU PICKED TODAY.
I HAD NO IDEA...
'SUP!
SEM-PAI!
YOU MADE IT!
LIT CLUB ANTHOLOGY 300円
I SEE YOU GUYS WENT WITH TRADITION-AL SCHOOL UNIFORMS THIS YEAR.
LOOKS GOOD ON YOU, SHIBA-SAKI.

NEAT DECORATIONS.
DID YOU MAKE THEM?
I LIKE THE NEW ANTHOLOGY COVER. IT'S REALLY EYE-CATCHING AND MAKES YOU WANNA PICK IT UP.

HI!
NICE TO MEET YOU!
IT WAS THE YOUNGER MEMBERS' IDEA. THEY SAID IT'D GIVE US A "LITERATURE VIBE."
THESE ARE THE ALUMNI WHO GRADUATED JUST BEFORE YOU ALL JOINED.


UNFORTUNATELY, WE ALSO HAD TO RELEASE A BL-THEMED BOOK AS PER THEIR REQUEST...
OOP.
I KINDA WANNA CHECK IT OUT.


I'M RELIEVED.
LOOKS LIKE THE FUTURE OF THE CLUB'S SECURED.

THIS IS NOTHING.
WE'RE ONLY JUST GETTING STARTED.

YEAH. THE UNDERCLASSMEN HAVE BEEN REALLY PROACTIVE IN USING THEIR STRENGTHS FOR THE GOOD OF THE CLUB.
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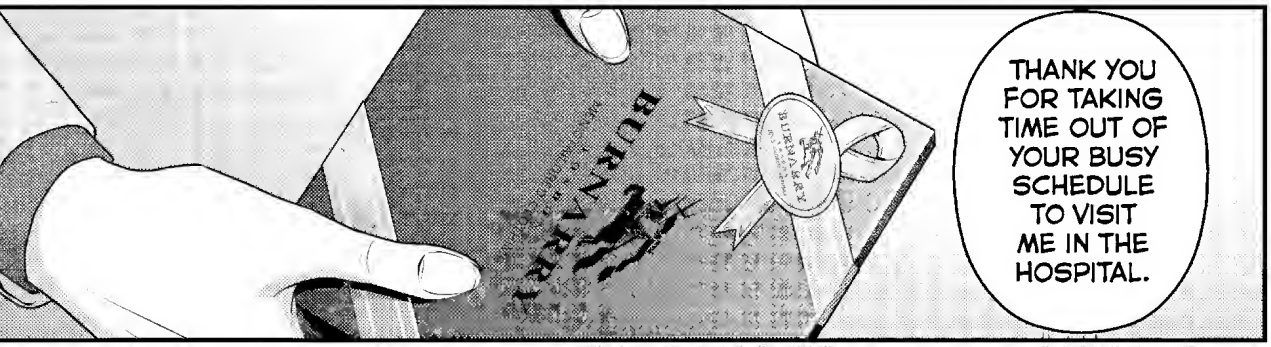
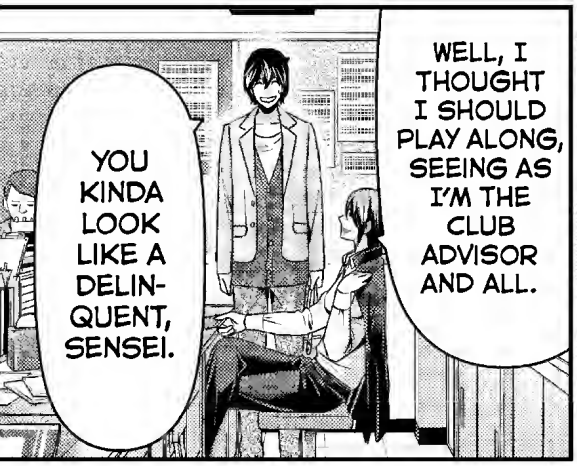
youthful
WE BARELY HAD NO DO ANYTHING AT ALL.

SIGN: HAUNTED HOUSE

SIGN: COTTON CANDY

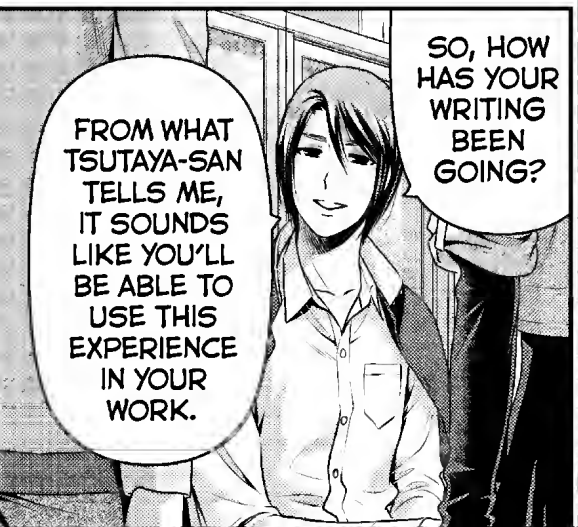


THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO VISIT ME IN THE HOSPITAL.



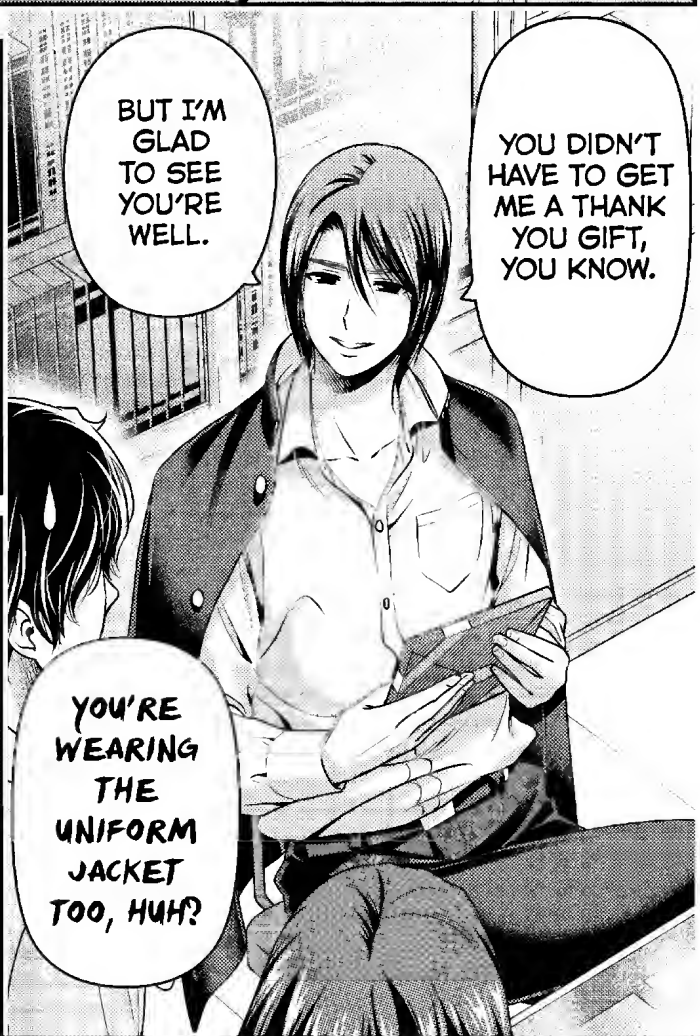
YOU KINDA LOOK LIKE A DELIN-QUENT, SENSEI.

WELL, I THOUGHT I SHOULD PLAY ALONG, SEEING AS I'M THE CLUB ADVISOR AND ALL.



FROM WHAT TSUTAYA-SAN TELLS ME, IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'LL BE ABLE TO USE THIS EXPERIENCE IN YOUR WORK.

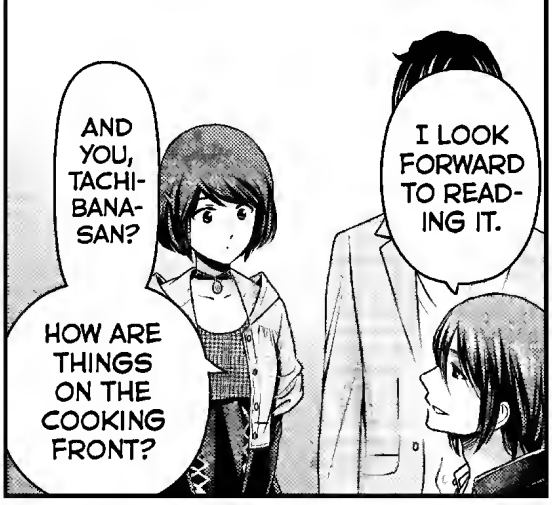
SO, HOW HAS YOUR WRITING BEEN GOING?



YOU'RE WEARING THE UNIFORM JACKET TOO, HUH?

BUT I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU'RE WELL.

YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO GET ME A THANK YOU GIFT, YOU KNOW.


I LOOK FORWARD TO READING IT.
AND YOU, TACHIBANA-SAN?
HOW ARE THINGS ON THE COOKING FRONT?

YEAH. ACTUALLY, THE OTHER DAY, I VISITED THE MAN WHO STABBED ME IN PRISON.
AND TOGEN-SENSEI LET ME SIT IN ON SOME INTERVIEWS WITH HIM,
SO I'M PRETTY FIRED UP AND PUTTING A LOT INTO IT.

PRETTY GOOD.
WE'RE PLANNING ON OPENING A NEW BRANCH,
SO I'M GOING OVERSEAS TO DO SOME ON-THE-JOB TRAINING SOON.

OVER-SEAS? THAT'S WONDER-FUL!
I'M SURE THAT'LL BE AN EYE-OPENING EXPERIENCE IN MANY WAYS.
YES, SIR!
I WANT TO HURRY AND BECOME THE BEST CHEF I CAN BE!
I'LL DO MY BEST!

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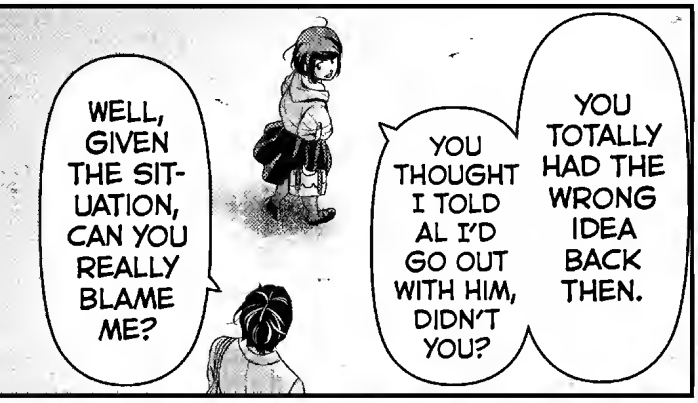
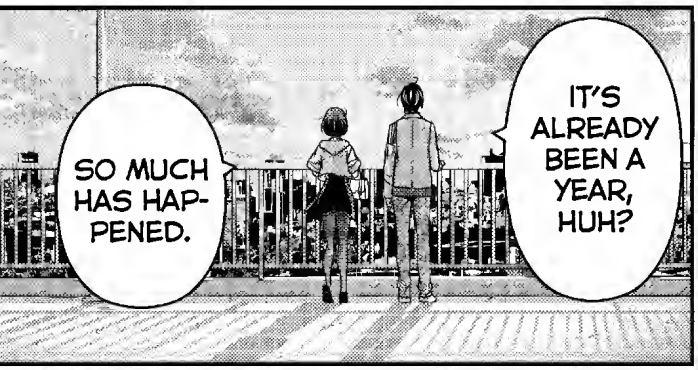
AND THIS...


WELL, GIVEN THE SITUATION, CAN YOU REALLY BLAME ME?
YOU THOUGHT I TOLD AL I'D GO OUT WITH HIM, DIDN'T YOU?
YOU TOTALLY HAD THE WRONG IDEA BACK THEN.


SO MUCH HAS HAPPENED.
IT'S ALREADY BEEN A YEAR, HUH?

I'M KINDA WORRIED.
I FEEL LIKE YOU MIGHT CRY YOURSELF TO SLEEP EVERY NIGHT WHILE I'M GONE.

...IS WHERE YOU CONFESSED TO ME.

NAT-SUO.
YEAH, RIGHT. SAYS THE BIGGEST CRYBABY I'VE EVER MET.
I'LL BE JUST FINE, THANK YOU!
ONCE I'M OVER THERE, I'LL PROBABLY BE SO SWAMPED, I WON'T EVEN HAVE TIME TO CRY.
YEAH, YEAH.
...
YOU BET.
EVEN IF WE'RE HUNDREDS OF MILES APART,
LET'S DO OUR BEST, OKAY?
OH!
I ALMOST FORGOT.
I WANTED TO GET SOME-THING...
...WE COULD BOTH WEAR, LIKE OUR WATCHES.

SO, I WENT WITH NECK-LACES.
THEY FORM A FULL MOON TOGETH-ER.

THAT WAY, WE'LL ALWAYS BE TOGETH-ER.

I THOUGHT ABOUT GETTING RINGS,
BUT YOU'D JUST HAVE TO TAKE IT OFF WHEN YOU COOK, RIGHT?
WITH A NECKLACE, I FIGURED YOU COULD WEAR IT UNDER YOUR UNIFORM OR SOMETHING.

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RUI?

THAT'S SO SWEET.
THANK YOU.
I'LL WEAR THIS AND WORK EXTRA HA...

I...
I DON'T WANNA GO.
I REALLY JUST... ... WANNA BE WITH YOU.
FOR-EVER.
I NEVER WANT... ...TO LEAVE YOUR SIDE.

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SQUEEZE
I KNOW.
ME NEITHER ...

AND THERE SHE GOES...
I KNOW HER COWORKERS WILL BE WITH HER, BUT I HOPE SHE'LL BE ALL RIGHT ON HER OWN.
YEAH.
IT'S GONNA BE LONELY AROUND HERE, HUH?
OH, GOSH.
I JUST CAN'T STOP WORRYING.
...I'M SURE WE'LL BE OKAY.
BUT ...